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There's a Bargain for YOU in this Christmas Surprise Sale.

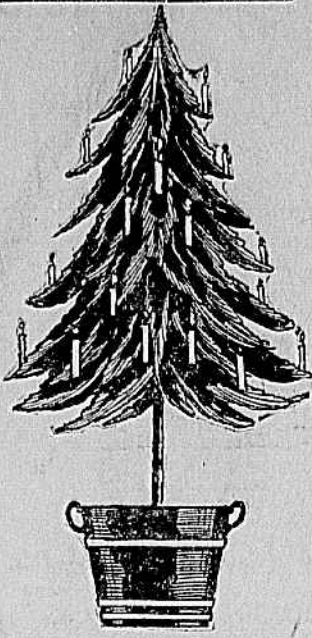
Prices on some standard Pianos reduced for this sale.

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This is the **MONEY-SAVING WEEK** of the Whole Year for **PIANO BUYERS** at the **CABLE PIANO COMPANY**

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# CHRISTMAS SURPRISE SALE



## VICTOR

The Name that Designates the World's Best Talking Machine.

The Cable Piano Company carries in stock the largest and most varied supply of Victors, Records and Supplies south of New York. We have in stock every Record named in the catalogue, and the new Records are on sale the 28th of every month.

### Get a Victor for Christmas

Take your choice—a Victor for \$10, \$17.50, \$25, \$32.50, \$40, \$50, \$60 or \$100; a Victrola for \$125, \$200 or \$250.

Music Master Horn—scientifically made of finest selected wood. Try one on your Talking Machine. Increases quality and volume of tone 25 per cent. Prices from \$10.00 up.

### Buy a Cabinet for Your Talking Machine Records

\$12.50 Record Cabinet ..... \$8.00  
\$22.50 Record Cabinet ..... \$12.50  
\$30.00 Record Cabinet ..... \$17.00  
\$54.00 Record Cabinet, inlaid mahogany ..... \$35.00

### Special! Sheet Music Department.

#### PACKAGE No. 1—FOR \$1.00.

For \$1.00—Package No. 1 contains one \$1.00 Music Roll and the following six copies of music: "Put on Your Old Gray Bonnet," "Il Trovatore," "Dying Poet," "Over the Waves," "Poet and Peasant," "Waves of the Ocean."

#### PACKAGE No. 2—FOR 75c.

For 75c—Package No. 2 contains one 75c Music Roll and the following six copies of music: "Singing Bird," "Schubert's Serenade," "William Tell," "Waltz Dream," "Cavalleria Rusticana," "Maiden's Prayer."

#### PACKAGE No. 3—FOR 50c.

For 50c—Package No. 3 contains one 50c Music Roll and the following six copies of music: "I Had the World to Give," "Mendelssohn's Spring Song," "Saxophone from Lucia," "Last Hope," "Mountain Belle," "La Fontaine."

Thousands of Songs and Instrumental Pieces at 5c and 10c.

### Fine Italian Strings

For Violins, Guitars, Banjos and Mandolins.

Genuine Italian Gut Strings, best in the world. La Favorita, E. A. D., used by the profession; La Favorita Pure Silver G String, unequalled in tone quality. These Strings can only be found at our store.

A complete stock of Mandolin, Guitar, Banjo and Violin Steel Strings. Bell brand and others. Fixtures of all kinds for small instruments: Rogers' Drum and Banjo Heads, Violin Bridges, Mutes and Pegs; Clarinet Reeds and Pads and Flute Pads; Tuning Forks, Pitch Pipes, Auto Harp Picks, Guitar Pins.

Make your purchases now. Delivery made Xmas Eve.

## PRICES SLASHED!

### Good Medium Grade NEW UPRIGHT PIANOS

These Pianos are absolutely new, and offer an excellence in value never before approached. This is undoubtedly the best chance you have ever had. The offer is genuine—strictly bona-fide—and you are enabled to place a beautiful new Piano in your home at a very low price and on terms that no other manufacturer will make.

One lot NEW \$350 Upright Pianos will be sold this week

**\$189** Terms, \$1.00 Per Week

One lot of NEW Upright Pianos will be sold this week

**\$169** Terms, \$1.00 Per Week

### Here Are Bargains for Conservative Buyers of Slightly Used Pianos

Many people of refined and cultivated taste know that a high-grade Piano, even though slightly used, is quite satisfactory, and therefore they consistently await an opportunity to secure such an instrument at a bargain price.

We are prepared at this time to supply some rare bargains in the highest grade Pianos at practically one-half their original price. Every instrument has passed through the Cable Piano Company's Factory Repair Department, under the supervision of expert factory workmen, and is practically as good as a new Piano.

### READ CAREFULLY THE BARGAINS WE ARE OFFERING IN SLIGHTLY USED PIANOS

One \$550 Upright Conover Piano, slightly used ..... \$315  
One \$550 Upright Conover Piano, slightly used ..... \$300  
One \$500 Upright Conover Piano, slightly used ..... \$275  
One \$450 Upright Conover Piano, slightly used ..... \$250  
One \$450 Upright Cable Piano, slightly used ..... \$250  
One \$400 Upright Cable Piano, slightly used ..... \$217  
One \$400 Upright Cable Piano, slightly used ..... \$225  
One \$400 Upright Cable Piano, slightly used ..... \$210  
Three Schubert \$400 Upright Pianos, slightly used ..... \$200  
Four Schubert \$400 Upright Pianos, slightly used ..... \$190  
Four \$350 Upright Kingsbury Pianos, slightly used ..... \$247

Terms: \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00 per month.

## Cable Piano Company

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## THE INNER-PLAYER PIANO

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Our warerooms is the only place in Richmond where the genuine Inner-Player Piano is sold.

Kingsbury Inner-Player Piano, 65-note ..... \$550  
Kingsbury Inner-Player Piano, 88-note ..... \$700  
Kingsbury Inner-Player Piano, 65 and 88-note ..... \$725  
Cable Inner-Player Piano, 65-note ..... \$750  
Cable Inner-Player Piano, 88-note ..... \$800  
Cable Inner-Player Piano, 65 and 88-note ..... \$825  
Euphonia Player-Piano, 65-note ..... \$550  
Euphonia Player-Piano, 65 and 88-note ..... \$575

We carry a full and complete line of all Music, Vocal and Instrumental, for the Inner-Players. Prices, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 per roll.

### Square Piano Bargains

Chickering, Knabe, Steinway, Pease, Hale—all Pianos that sold originally at from \$350 to \$650 each. They have practically been made over, and these Pianos will go at \$100.00 each.

There are also many Square Pianos in this sale at from \$25.00 to \$75.00.

We have also put in perfect condition for this sale a large number of used Parlor and Chapel Organs at from \$30.00 to \$50.00.

### YOU'LL SAVE HERE!

We have a lot of eight Cabinet Piano Players—Pianos, Chase & Baker and Imperial—slightly used. Original price \$150.00 to \$250.00. Will close out this week for \$75.00 each, with twelve rolls of Inner-Player Music.

Make your purchases now. Delivery made Xmas Eve.

### Special! Small Goods Department.

HARMONICAS.  
"Trumpet Call" Horns that reproduce a regular band effect, \$1.50.  
"Silver Reed Harp," \$1.00.  
"Acropolis Harmonica," 75c.  
Bugles, boys' Christmas delight, \$1.00 up.

### Small Musical Instruments.

Violins, Banjos, Mandolins, Guitars, Accordions, Music Boxes, Autoharps. Holiday prices, from \$2.50 up.

Music Rolls, Satchels, Cornets, Clarinets, Occarinas, Harmonicas and Buggles.

Piano Stools, fine velvet and silks. \$8.00 Sheet Music Cabinets, mirror top, \$4.00.

\$15.00 Sheet Music Cabinets, \$7.50.

\$20.00 Sheet Music Cabinets, \$10.00.

\$30.00 Sheet Music Cabinets, \$15.00.

\$54.00 Sheet Music Cabinets, mirror top and back, artistic design, \$30.00.

Make your purchases now. Delivery made Xmas Eve.

## PRESIDENT SHOPS LIKE OTHER FOLKS

He and Mrs. Taft Go to New York to Make Purchases.

### ADVENT UNHERALDED

Create Sensation When They Appear in Fifth Avenue Store.

NEW YORK, December 13.—President and Mrs. Taft went shopping in Fifth Avenue today. The rain poured down in torrents, the aftermath of a snowstorm last night—but this made no difference to them. They arrived in New York from Washington shortly before 2 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Taft was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Thomas K. Laughlin, of Pittsburgh. It was thought for a time that the rain might interfere with the plan, but neither the President nor Mrs. Taft would listen to a postponement. So direct from the ferryhouse they drove through the pelting rain to a jewelry establishment on the upper avenue. The advent of the President at the shop was entirely unexpected,

and the holiday throng forgot the problem of Christmas presents for the time being when word of the arrival of the distinguished newcomers spread about the place.

President and Mrs. Taft and Mrs. Laughlin went into a private room on the main floor of the establishment and a battery of salesmen was placed at their disposal.

They after tray of glittering gold and silver trinkets was borne into the room, and from these a variety of Christmas presents for the White House were selected, and a watch for Charlie Taft, a bracelet and other things for Miss Helen, scholarly presents for Robert Taft, who holds the youthfully dignified position of a Yale senior, and a score or more of gifts for various members of the Taft family were purchased.

The President is spending the night at the home of his brother, Henry W. Taft. He will go to New Haven early tomorrow morning to attend a meeting of the Yale corporation, of which he is a fellow, and to be the guest of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce at a banquet to-morrow night. Mrs. Taft and Mrs. Laughlin will remain in the city, shopping until Wednesday or Thursday. The President will be back at the White House Wednesday forenoon.

President Taft was the guest at dinner to-night of Dr. John Wesley Hill, pastor of the Metropolitan Temple, where he met a number of distinguished clergymen of all denominations. The dinner was preliminary to the closing rally of the Africa diamond jubilee celebration at the Methodist Church in Carnegie Hall to-night, where the President made one of the principal addresses.

## SINGLE TWO MINUTES, THEN MARRIED AGAIN

Another Chapter Written in Romance of Beautiful Maid Who Eloped With Chauffeur.

ATLANTA, GA., December 13.—Two minutes after Mrs. Silvey Speer Thomas, daughter of W. A. Speer, well known in financial circles, was granted a total divorce from her father's chauffeur, Russell J. Thomas, in the Superior Court to-day, a marriage license was issued to Marshall C. McKenzie and Miss Silvey Speer.

Miss Speer's divorce was secured on allegations that she was forced to marry the chauffeur because the man had made threats of violence against her father unless the daughter consented to elope with him.

Immediately after the parties involved left the courthouse they were driven to the Speer residence, on Peachtree Road, where the wedding ceremony was performed in the presence of a large party of friends.

Another chapter in the Speer case also was concluded to-day when a verdict was rendered in the Superior Court in favor of W. A. Speer, who was sued by his chauffeur, Thomas, for \$100,000, for alienation of his wife's affections.

The elopement of beautiful Silvey Speer with her father's handsome young chauffeur fourteen months ago created a sensation. After being married in Atlanta, they left for Charlotte, N. C., where they were arrested as they registered at a prominent hotel. Mrs. Speer brought the bride back to Atlanta, but the young husband made so much trouble that the mother took her daughter to New York. Here the bride was kept hidden to escape reporters and to evade a writ of habeas corpus sought by the husband. Finally Mrs. Speer called with her daughter for Europe.

Thomas asserted that if he could see his bride alone she would declare that she preferred him to her parents. This her parents refused to allow. They charged that she was drugged by Thomas the day of the wedding, and while in this condition was forced under threats to consent to a marriage.

Invitations Issued.  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
WEST POINT, VA., December 13.—Invitations have been received here to the marriage on December 21 of Dr. Horace H. Hinkle, formerly of King and Queen, to Miss Temple Bird, of Baltimore.

## STATE OFFICES BEING PROBED

Remembering Last Year's Sensation, Examiners Will Overlook Nothing.

RALPHIGH, N. C., December 13.—The legislative committee for the examination and comparison of the books and vouchers in the offices of the State Treasurer, the State Auditor and the Commissioner of Insurance began its annual task at noon to-day with the expectation that the greater part of the work which it is intended, in view of the sensational findings of the former commission just a year ago, shall be very thorough. The members of the commission are: Senators O. L. Clark, Bladen, and J. D. Elliott, Cawthra, and Representatives C. E. Taylor, Brunswick; R. R. Cotten, Pitt, and Dr. D. J. Murphy, Guilford, Mr. Taylor being the Republican member.

Charters Issued.  
The Hygeia Snuff Company, Winston-Salem, is chartered with \$125,000 capital authorized and \$10,000 subscribed, to manufacture the Bohannan health snuff, incorporators being W. T. Bohannan, G. W. Brittain and A. F. Mossick.

Another charter is to the Meander Springs Hotel Company, Concord, capital \$50,000, by A. L. Patterson, R. L. Patterson and others. That real estate, personal property and incorporation valuations for taxation in North Carolina aggregate \$576,115,170, on which the State levy in taxes is \$1,209,841, with other general and local taxes that round up a grand total of \$8,229,574 taxes paid by the people of the State, is the showing made by the State Tax Commission in its annual report to Governor Kitchin just filed. This report does not include about \$325,000 special taxes for license fees from insurance companies and other license taxes paid directly to the State Treasurer.

The increase of total valuation of all property subject to taxation in the State over last year is stated to be \$744,857, an amount considered substantial in view of the fact that this was not an assessing year. Furthermore, there is shown a shrinkage in the valuation of personal property amounting to \$2,151,431.

Cards Are Out.  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., December 13.—Cards are out for the marriage of

Miss Eva Garnett Armistead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew D. Armistead, to Dr. Maxwell S. Foster, of Matthews county, the wedding to take place at the home of the bride's parents at Rockingham, N. C., Wednesday, December 22.

### Lowery—Newman.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., December 13.—Wm. W. Lowery and Miss Agnes Esther Newman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Newman, of Richmond county, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. Starke left officiating.

### A New Lawyer.

DANVILLE, VA., December 13.—Meade R. Flynn, now employed in the post-office here, who recently passed the bar examination, qualified to-day to practice law in the courts here.

### Payment Very Heavy.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
DANVILLE, VA., December 13.—Tomorrow is the last day for the payment of State capitation taxes in order

to vote in the next regular election. At the office of the City Treasurer, it was stated to-day, the payment of poll taxes this year has been larger than for several years past. This is said to be due to the belief that another local option election will be held here the coming spring.

### EXPOSURE

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Nothing contributes more to the joys of Christmas than a pair of our SUPERIOR GOLD EYEGLASSES or SPECTACLES. Lenses will be exchanged to suit the recipient without charge.

Other acceptable presents are Eyeglass Chains, Lorgnettes, Opera Glasses, Opera Bags, Field Glasses, Thermometers, Barometers, Microscopes, Telescopes, Compasses, Auto Goggles, Magnifiers, Hand Readers, and last, but not least,

### Kodaks

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